

Table 9. Underground Natural Gas Storage - All Operators, 1996-2002

(Volumes in Billion Cubic Feet)

Year and Month	Natural Gas in Underground Storage at End of Period			Change In Working Gas from Same Period Previous Year		Storage Activity		
	Base Gas	Working Gas	Total ^b	Volume	Percent	Injections	Withdrawals	Net Withdrawals ^c
1996 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	2,906	2,911	6
1997 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	2,800	2,824	24
1998 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	2,905	2,379	-526
1999 Total^a	—	—	—	—	—	2,598	2,772	174
2000								
January	4,379	1,760	6,139	-312	-15.1	59	841	782
February	4,378	1,304	5,681	-445	-25.3	83	533	450
March	4,364	1,153	5,517	-255	-18.0	139	291	152
April	4,362	1,203	5,565	-297	-19.6	192	146	-46
May	4,362	1,433	5,795	-404	-21.9	313	82	-231
June	4,361	1,717	6,079	-435	-20.1	349	65	-284
July	4,362	2,003	6,365	-379	-15.8	372	83	-289
August	4,361	2,199	6,560	-414	-15.8	305	109	-196
September	4,360	2,494	6,855	-432	-14.7	370	80	-291
October	4,360	2,732	7,092	-345	-11.1	329	88	-241
November	4,361	2,442	6,803	-628	-20.3	108	396	288
December	4,352	1,719	6,071	-806	-31.9	66	785	720
Total	—	—	—	—	—	2,684	3,498	814
2001								
January	4,344	1,265	5,609	-495	-28.1	93	559	467
February	4,328	912	5,241	-391	-30.0	71	409	338
March	4,300	742	5,042	-412	-35.7	113	293	181
April	4,261	992	5,253	-210	-17.5	345	68	-276
May	4,309	1,440	5,749	7	0.5	488	41	-448
June	4,310	1,882	6,193	165	9.6	470	48	-422
July	4,315	2,261	6,576	258	12.9	441	64	-376
August	4,313	2,576	6,889	377	17.1	384	79	-305
September	4,318	2,944	7,262	450	18.0	409	41	-368
October	4,310	3,144	7,454	412	15.1	281	92	-189
November	4,300	3,204	7,504	762	31.2	224	140	-83
December	4,304	2,903	7,207	1,184	68.9	78	407	329
Total	—	—	—	—	—	3,397	2,244	-1,153
2002								
January	4,306	2,377	6,682	1,111	87.8	59	602	543
<i>February(STIFS)</i>	^{RE} 4,306	^{RE} 1,920	^R 6,226	^{RE} 1,008	^{RE} 110.5	NA	NA	^E 457
<i>March(STIFS)</i>	^E 4,306	^E 1,558	^E 5,864	^E 817	^E 110.1	NA	NA	^E 362

^a Total as of December 31.^b Total underground storage capacity at the end of each calendar year (in billion cubic feet): 1996 - 7,980; 1997 - 8,332; 1998 - 8,179; 1999 - 8,229; and 2000 - 8,241.^c Negative numbers indicate the volume of injections in excess of withdrawals. Positive numbers indicate the volume of withdrawals in excess of injections.^R Revised Data.^E Estimated Data.^{RE} Revised Estimated Data.

NA Not Available.

— Not Applicable.

Notes: Data for 1996 through 2000 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise noted. Estimates for the most recent two months are derived from the Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System (STIFS). See Explanatory Note 7 for discussion of revision policy. Gas in storage at the end of a reporting period may not equal the quantity derived by adding or subtracting net injections or withdrawals during the period to the quantity of gas in storage at the beginning of the period. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

Sources: Form EIA-191, "Monthly Underground Gas Storage Report," Form EIA-176, "Annual Report of Natural and Supplemental Gas Supply and Disposition," and STIFS.